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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 16, 2003 in connection with the above-identified patent application, and in accordance with Rule 116 of the Rules of Practice, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the amendment and remarks presented hereinbelow. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a substitute sequence listing in paper and computer-readable forms.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this response.

A listing of the claims begins on page 4 of this response. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this response.